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Applicant: Thompson

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AND METHOD OF USE

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION (37 C.F.R. § 1.116)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Arlington, VA 22313

Applicant respectfully requests consideration and entry of the following amendment submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 15, 2003, and made final.